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## WASHINGTON.

### Last Evening's Serenade to the President.

### The Recent Elections and their Lessons as Seen by Mr. Johnson.

### A Few Thoughts on the Armed Heel of Power and the Rod of Despotism.

### Order From General Grant Looking to Further Retrenchment in the War Department.

### Another Rumor that McClellan will be Offered the War Portfolio.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.

The only Congressmen expected in the city are Representatives Hubbell, Kelsey, Farnsworth, Fowler, Hoar and Wilkinson, and Representatives Wilson, Bromwell, Morrill, Churchill, Baldwin, Logan, Shanklin, Pile, Hubbard of Iowa, Hubbard of Connecticut and Lincoln. Besides these, Senators Conness, Sherman, Cameron, Cole and Nesmith, and Representatives Boutwell, Thomas, Schenck, Lawrence, Plants and Ashley have been here during the present week (making one almost continuous session).

Nothing was transacted yesterday beyond two unimportant orders. One of the orders is the employment of civilian clerks about the headquarters, and other places where they are needed; and the other is to bring all the troops now in the Southern States, except a few small garrisons, and guarding ordnance stores, to the Atlantic seaboard.

Gen. Merrill, Governor-elect of Iowa, has declined the position as President of the First National Bank of Muscatine, and has gone to Iowa to take up his residence during his term of office.

Baltimore *American* says Hon. William Price, of Washington County, is mentioned as a candidate for Governor of Maryland, in connection with Johnson's name in the United States Senate. Mr. Hamilton is an able lawyer and from his long experience as a member of Congress, in terms, and came within one vote of being elected Governor at the last election.

Hon. Hamilton Fish, late Governor of the State of New York, has been appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Illinois and Michigan Canal to succeed Gen. Wetmore, deceased. Mr. Fish was elected on Friday of this week. The Trustees of the Illinois and Michigan Canal will meet at Bridgeport this week to appoint a Superintendent to succeed Mr. Bissell, who has been in office since that time.

Hon. Isaac N. Morris, who was defeated at the late election in St. Clair County, by Hon. Ingersoll, for Congress, has been appointed Register in Bankruptcy, vice Vonderbrenk, the other Republican candidate, received 1,000, and the Copperhead candidate came third in the race, having 4,000 votes.

The majority against female suffrage in Kansas is 9,400 out of a total vote of 30,000. The majority against negro suffrage is 7,000. The Legislature is largely Republican.

Hon. Jas. Sloan has been elected Representative in the Territorial Legislature of Colorado, from the 20th District, by a majority of 30. Mr. Sloan is a strong Republican. At the last session, Democrat, was elected by 50 majority. The Republicans have a majority on joint ballot.

The Republican entered Syracuse on Monday, followed by a single act double company, with torches and transparencies. Gathered in front of the Vanderbilt House, they serenaded Gen. Grant, Governor-elect Fenton, Hon. Thurlow Weed, and the Hon. Horace Greeley, who is now at Syracuse. Gen. Grant responded briefly, and was followed by Governor-elect Fenton, Thurlow Weed, and Horace Greeley, who made a speech of about a hundred lines, from which we extract the following:

> I am glad to see that the people of this city are all Republicans. (Laughter.) I am glad to see that the people of this city are all Republicans. (Laughter.) I am glad to see that the people of this city are all Republicans. (Laughter.)

## The Election of Officers--The Rival Tickets.

## LAW INTELLIGENCE.

### Admiralty--Bankruptcy.

### Real Estate, Probate, and Blander Cases.

### Proceedings, Pleas and Powers--The Crosse Forgeries.

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

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## Sewing Machines.

## Stoves.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE SOLDIERS' FAIR.

**Wabash Avenue Rink---Its Interior Decorations and Contents.**

**What is Being Done to Aid the Widows and Orphans.**

**The View by Gas-light---A Fairy Scene---The Gathering.**

**Inaugural Exercises Last Evening.**

**Addresses by Mayor Rice, General Hurlbut, Judge Bradwell, and Hon. N. B. Judd.**

Last evening witnessed an entertainment such as has not been experienced in this city since the opening of the last great Sanitary Fair in May, 1865. The long-talked of soldiers' Fair at the Wabash Avenue Rink, the preparations for which have for months engaged the attention of our citizens, and formed a subject of the liveliest anticipation in the minds of all who love to contribute to the comfort of our brave defenders, was formally thrown open to the public at half-past seven o'clock last evening. It was an agreeable relief from the excitement of the day, and the business of two years of trade and commerce was forgotten in the contemplation of that pure and disinterested devotion of the citizens of Chicago and surrounding States to the cause of the Union which has characterized the whole course of the war, and which has been so nobly illustrated in the noble efforts of the ladies of Chicago in behalf of the Sanitary Commission. The first Fair held in this city, in the autumn of 1863, for the benefit of two years of the Sanitary Commission, was a magnificent success, and the liberality of the citizens responded with the greatest promptness to the call made upon them at the inauguration of the second Fair. The result was not less flattering, and it now only remains for the citizens to respond with the same liberality to the call made upon them for the benefit of the widows and orphans of the brave men who have fallen in the defence of the country, and who have left, in addition to this, a sacred trust to the surviving soldiers and sailors, and to the whole people. The opening ceremonies of the Fair were arranged for yesterday and last night, as the greater part of the day was occupied in preparations for the evening.

The rink is now the great centre of attraction, and every citizen of Chicago is anxious to visit the beautiful building. There is no place where a firmness can be so agreeably conducted as in the rink, between the hours of 7 and 10 o'clock in the evening. The building itself is of the largest dimensions, so that even the immense throng of last evening was not sufficient to fill it. The whole of the interior is decorated with the most elaborate taste, and the effect is a combination of flowers, evergreens, flags, and mottoes, which, when viewed by gas-light, is perfectly enchanting. There has been a great deal of talk, and great expectation regarding the display of the Fair, but the reality has far more than surpassed the most sanguine expectations of the friends of the cause. In point of taste, elegance, and beauty of design, we trust that the public will cheerfully respond, and lend their utmost efforts to prove the city of Chicago to be unsurpassed in its liberality.

The busy "note of preparation" was audible on Wabash avenue from an early hour yesterday morning, and as the evening drew on the bustle increased. Carriages in the vicinity of the rink were in demand, and the street cars were crowded to an extent which has not been known before. New decorations were pouring in upon the managers, and considerable time was devoted to the arrangement of the various articles of interest. But the decoration of the Fair, and its wise results in the way of money, is not all that is interesting in the case, because the Fair itself is full of interesting episodes, to witness the meeting in and fro, the greetings, the inquiries, and the like, of the fine, stalwart men who have come home to us from the battle-fields of the South, and who, in their manly bearing, show that they have been through the fiery ordeal of battle